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In re Application of:

Philip E. Cannata, et al

METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR  
SELECTIVE ENHANCEMENT OF  
IMAGE DATA

Serial No. 09/728,365

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In response to the Restriction Requirement set forth in the Office Action mailed March 24, 2004, Applicants hereby elect, with traverse, the species of Figure 3 for prosecution in the present application. Claims 1-13 and 15 are believed to read on the elected species.

The traversal is based on the grounds that the Office Action does not provide support for the restriction requirement by, for example, identifying the claims that read on the noted species or describing that the inventions are in different classifications and are therefore not searchable together.

In view of the foregoing comments, it is believed that the present application is in condition for examination, and an early and favorable action on the merits is therefore requested.

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